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In re Application of: Eva Sevrick-Muraca, et al.  
Serial No.: 09/297,895  
Filing Date: June 30, 1999  
Group Art Unit: 2877  
Examiner: R. Rosenberg  
Title: PARTICLE ANALYSIS SYSTEM AND METHOD

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: December 14, 2001

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of 02/27/01, Applicants submit the following remarks in connection with the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application in view of the above amendment and the following remarks is requested.

Claims 1-49 are now pending in this application.

Claims 1-49 stand rejected under the judicially created doctrine of non-statutory type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-35 of U.S. Patent No. 5,818,583. This